

North Shore Yacht Club

Bridge Minutes

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm by L. Kulla

Present: Linda Kulla, Commodore; Peter Hirschhorn, Rear Commodore; Carlo Zaskorski, Fleet Captain; Colin Schneider, Treasurer; Ruta Ledins, Secretary; Bill Palafox, Trustee; Roger Lifson, Trustee; Karen Verola, Trustee; James Ebenau, Trustee; Edward Flores, Trustee; Gary Wachter, Guest

Absent: Evan Spence, Trustee

2. Announcements: L. Kulla notes that Martin Schulman is putting his boat, Lucy, up for sale. The Fall membership meeting, open house and racing ceremony were all well attended and received. Evan raced Under Toad and received a trophy. L. Kulla has been notified that R. Oswalds's bond will be redeemed through the submission of a letter request. Charlie Murphy's bond is being donated to the club. Mario "Butch" Rufino is resigning from the club. His bond with a value of \$1,500 will also be donated. He will receive status of "friend" in return. The club has adopted a "friend of club" designation, which includes the individual in the club directory.

Motion: P. Hirschhorn makes a motion seconded by R. Lifson to accept the Murphy and Rufino bonds as donations to the club and in return given them both "friend of club" designations. The motion is passed unanimously.

Action: Put a note in the Blinker about the Murphy and Rufino donations.

Action: C. Schneider to contact and work with K. Magida to determine the length of legal liability of bonds when the bond holder leaves the club and does not request redemption. Currently the bond liability associated with active members is \$94K and \$30K for members that have resigned.

3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Via email on 10/19/2020 P. Hirschhorn makes a motion seconded by R. Lifson to approve the minutes as written. The motion is approved unanimously.

4. Officer/Committee Reports:

a. Commodore's Report:

Floating dock repairs have been undone by the recent storm. Insurance claim needs to be filed. Eric Melrose is recommending that the handrail on the side of the walkway that was not entirely damaged be changed when the damaged side is repaired. Will need to wait to hear from insurance company whether they will agree to this repair. L. Kulla notes that workboat lines were retied by an individual not authorized to do so and the prop was broken as a result during the storm.

Action: C. Zaskorski will add a note in the Blinker requesting that members refrain from touching/adjusting lines related to club boats. Any concerns about the state of club boats should be communicated to Captain Vic.

b. Rear Commodore's Report (See attached report):

As of this past weekend, our sailing season has officially come to an end. We have already started to winterize the house and prepare for the cold weather. The back-deck awning has been removed and will be brought into the Peter Gees Custom Canvas shop here in Port Washington where it was originally made. Some of the small damage from previous storms has been repaired. We will inspect all seams and make any necessary repairs.

This past weekend with the help of Roger Lifson, Warren Greenhouse and Gary Cohen, we removed the bubbler system from the basement and stored it temporarily on the lower deck. We will wait until the dock repair is completed before we install on the docks so as not to have any damage from the workers. We also stored the deck furniture down in the basement. For now, most house projects are taken care of. Any further cleaning inside can wait until springtime. We need to repair two boards on our lower decking that were damaged when the boat hit our dock. This is something we can handle in house if need be.

c. Treasurer's Report (See attached report):

Erika has resigned effective 12/15/2020. There have been many responses to our request for an accountant. One candidate, Jane Stevens was interviewed and seems appropriate. She will need to form an LLC.

Account receivable update: L. Kulla reports that Alvarez will not take her call nor will he return her calls. B. Palafox will try to follow up with Alvarez. Giaramita will pay but would like to pay by credit card. Herbert will pay social and defer boat share to next year. (This arrangement was allowed for Purani). Greblers will be billed for Social in December \$750. If they join boat share, they will be billed an additional \$750. Silverman is short of funds. Propose reversing current year obligation and suggest taking the next year off.

d. Fleet Captain Report (See attached report):

NSYC floating dock – Capt. Vic has received a proposal from Eric Melrose to repair the floating dock and railings before next season. Lloyd is concerned the proposal is not sufficiently specific.

Launches and RC/Jr. Sailing Mako are shrink wrapped and winterized. Guido began working on the Victor launch diesel and reported that it is was running well, fast starting, no smoke and no burning oil so there is no need to replace bearings, rings, pistons, etc. Costs will be billed 50% in the current year and 50% next year.

Under Toad – A big thank you and well done to Evan, Paul, Adriana, Neil, Anthony, John, Ernie, Victor, Carlos, Captain Vic, Richard, Bill, Mary Lu, Linda, Jaime, Robert, Lloyd for working on decommissioning and great efforts this season keeping UT in Bristol Fashion and ship shape.

The engine has been taken by Delaquila, to Jimmy at La Motta's to be winterized and then stored at B. Ebenau. Sails are to be washed and repaired.

e. Membership (see attached report):

Motion: C. Zaskorski makes a motion seconded by K. Verola to accept the Koleda Family as affiliate members. The motion is approved unanimously.

Motion: C. Zaskorski makes a motion seconded by P. Hirschhorn to accept the Singh Family as a Social associate / Boat share member. The motion is approved unanimously.

Motion: P. Hirschhorn makes a motion seconded by R. Lifson to accept the Becker Family as Social Associate members. The motion is approved unanimously.

f. Education Report: nothing to report

g. Marketing and Communication (see attached report):

B. Palafox suggests that the club have an open house if Harborfest is cancelled.

h. Race Management (see attached report):

Bob Ebenau is resigning as the head of the race committee. Jamie Ebenau agrees to assume the training portion of race management.

i. Boat Share: nothing to report

j. Junior Sailing:

L. Kulla notes that junior sailing needs a new head and instructor.

k. Investment/Audit:

A. Alkon has been asked to consider taking on chair position.

5. Old Business/Action Points

Action: K. Verola to match new members to committees where they have interest.

Action: P. Hirschhorn to investigate Helly Hansen/other clothing for anniversary. He will need to get feedback from members regarding their interest given the cost. Will need to get orders from members and commitments to purchase prior to putting in orders.

6. New Business

Action: Pay bonuses to launch operators

Motion: R. Lifson makes a motion seconded by P. Hirschhorn to accept the budget including an increase in active dues by \$150 and Boat share dues by \$100.

There being no further business, on a motion from R. Lifson seconded by P. Hirschhorn the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruta Ledins
Secretary